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## AN INDIAN BATTLE.

Big Foot's Band entirely Wiped Out.

## OVER FIFTY INDIANS KILLED.

Not One Left to Tell the Story—Captain Wallace and Five Soldiers Killed and a Number of Others Wounded—The Battle Lasted Over One Hour and a Half. Two Strike's Band Run Away from Pine Ridge and Are Being Pursued by the Soldiers.

PINE RIDGE AGENCY, S. Dak., Dec. 30.—Couriers from the Bad Lands who have just arrived here announce that a bloody and desperate conflict occurred yesterday morning on Porcupine creek between the United States troops and the hostiles. The fight was precipitated by the troops under Col. Forsyth attempting to disarm Big Foot's band. Capt. Wallace, commanding K troop of the Seventh cavalry, was killed. Lieut. Garlington, of the Seventh regiment, was shot in both arms. Several soldiers and a number of Indians were also killed.

The greatest excitement prevails here among agency employees and also among the friendly Indians, many of whom are relatives of the young bucks now on the warpath. Grave fears are entertained here for the safety of this post. The courier who brought this news of the conflict could only give the facts relating to the commencement of the fight.

A second fight occurred near this agency yesterday afternoon. One of Col. Forsyth's troopers of the Seventh cavalry was fired on by some Indians who went out from the Rosebud camp, near Pine Ridge. This caused a skirmish, in which two soldiers were wounded. The Indians who were camped near where this skirmish took place moved west to a creek near the agency. Owing to the absence of the cavalry there is great trepidation here. Indian scouts who have just come in say that but few of Big Foot's band are left alive.

## ACCOUNT OF THE BATTLE.

Not One of Big Foot's Band Left to Tell the Story.

WOUNDED KNEE CREEK, Neb., Dec. 30.—Bright and early were the troops up yesterday morning. At 8 o'clock they were ordered to be in readiness to move. At that hour the cavalry and dismounted troops were massed about the Indian village, the Hotchkiss guns overlooking the camp not fifty yards away. Col. Forsyth ordered all the Indians to come forward and away from the tents. They came and sat in a half circle until counted. The dismounted troops were then thrown around them. Company K, Capt. Wallace, and Company B, Capt. Varnum, the order was then given to twenty fighting troops. It will be a difficult matter to dislodge Kicking Bear. Two Strike's band was coming in toward the agency, but now it is certain they will turn back.

As this task was about completed, the Indians, surrounded by Companies K and B, began to move. All of a sudden they threw their hands to the ground and began firing rapidly at the troops not twenty feet away. The troops were at a great disadvantage, fearing shooting of their comrades. The Indian men, women and children then ran to the south, the battery firing rapidly as they ran.

Soon the mounted troops were after them, shooting them down on every side. The engagement lasted fully an hour and a half. To the south many took refuge in a ravine from which it was difficult to dislodge them. It is estimated that the soldiers killed and wounded number above fifty. Just now it is impossible to state the exact number of dead Indians. There are many more than fifty, however, killed outright. The soldiers are shooting the Indians wherever found, no quarter being given by anyone. Capt. Wallace, of Company K, troops of cavalry, was killed, and Lieut. Garlington, of Arctic fame, was shot through the arm at the elbow.

The troops are still firing from the camp and pursuing the enemy in every direction.

To say that it was a most daring feat—120 Indians attacking 500 cavalry—expresses the situation but faintly. It could only have been insanity which prompted such a deed. It is doubted that if before night either a buck or a squaw out of all Big Foot's band will be left to tell the tale of this day's treachery.

The members of the Seventh cavalry have once more shown themselves to be heroes in deeds of daring. Single-handed conflicts were seen all over the field.

The death of Capt. Wallace caused much regret. The poor fellow met his death by a blow on the head from a war club. Full particulars cannot be given until sometime to-morrow.

## DISPATCHES SENT TO WASHINGTON.

General Brooke Sends an Account of the Battle to General Schofield.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Gen. Schofield has just received the following dispatches from Rapid City, S. Dak., about the fight in the Bad Lands yesterday between the Seventh cavalry troops and Big Foot's band. The dispatches come from Gen. Brooke through Gen. Miles and read as follows:

"Gen. Whiteside had four troops of cavalry, and held the Indians until Gen. Forsyth reached him with four more troops Sunday night. At 8:30 yesterday morning, while disarming the Indians a fight commenced. I think we will

have this matter in hand as soon as all are in position. There was no precaution. The fight occurred near the head of Wounded Knee creek. I have just seen many of the Indians who went out towards Forsyth yesterday morning, come back."

The next dispatch reads: "Gen. Brooke telegraphs Gen. Forsyth the reports that while disarming Big Foot's band yesterday morning, a fight occurred. Capt. Wallace and five soldiers killed. The Indians are being hunted up in all directions. None known to have gotten their ponies. Gen. Brooke also reports that many of the young warriors that were going out from the camp in the Bad Lands to the agency, have gone toward Forsyth. All troops have been notified. Gen. Forsyth had two battalions, Seventh cavalry and Hotchkiss guns. Other troops in close proximity."

A late dispatch says: "Gen. Brooke reports that two shots were fired near the agency (Pine Ridge) by someone and several were fired in return. Quite a large number of Two Strike's band ran away and all at the agency are greatly excited. All this makes matters look more serious."

## FIGHTING AT PINE RIDGE.

Pandemonium Breaks Loose Among Five Thousand Indians Gathered There.

RUSHVILLE, Neb., Dec. 30.—When the news of yesterday's fight at Wounded Knee creek reached the agency at Pine Ridge, pandemonium broke loose among the 5,000 Indians gathered there, and a large number of these broke away. The friendly Indians, including Red Cloud, joined the army force under Gen. Brooke. At sundown fighting had commenced within three miles of the agency buildings, and a determined effort was being made by the reds to reach and burn the agency. An Indian village of friendly, in plain sight of the agency, was seen to go up in flames just before dark.

These facts were from an official courier, who was an eye witness to the trouble that occurred at and near the agency. He came here by order of the agency authorities, bringing special dispatches and to warn the settlers everywhere to be on their guard. The captain of the Rushville home guards received official notice from the agency yesterday afternoon to make every possible preparation for defending the town, and to see that adjacent settlers were notified. Soon the terrified people came in, and before midnight the town was crowded. It is thought by all cooler heads that no danger however, or at least no immediate danger, threatens the railroad towns.

Yesterday's battle has made it almost certain that a bloody war will follow. A large number of warriors who favored peace, have gone to the Bad Lands, and now, with a strong force of fighting troops, it will be a difficult matter to dislodge Kicking Bear. Two Strike's band was coming in toward the agency, but now it is certain they will turn back.

## KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The Omaha Bee Publishes a Partial List of the Dead.

OMAHA, Dec. 30.—The Bee has the following from its staff correspondent:

The list of killed and wounded soldiers, so far as we can now ascertain, is as follows:

Capt. Wallace, commander of K troops.

Private Cook, B troop, wounded.

Father Crafts, Catholic priest, mortally wounded in lungs.

Private Frank Lewis, B troop.

Private Stone.

Private Sullivan, K troop.

S. F. Smith, K troop.

Corporal Clifton, K troop.

Davis.

Hazelwood.

Toohy.

Lieut. Garlington.

Sergeant Lloyd.

Interpreter P. F. Wells.

Lieut. Kinzie.

Trumpeter James Gholdenson, mortally

Sergeant Camell.

Private Setter, A troop.

Sergeant Dyer Holman.

George Elliot, K troop.

Sergeant Hotchkiss, —troop, mortally.

Hipp A. Cook, I troop.

Private Adams, K troop.

Corporal Newell, B troop.

This is only a partial list. About a dozen more are reported seen lying as if dead, but no more officers are killed, while twenty-five or more are wounded. Many of the wounded will die. Capt. Wallace was tomahawked squarely in the forehead.

Lieut. Kinsie received but a slight wound in the cord of the ankle. Army Surgeons Capt. Hoff, Lieut. Kenna and Capt. Ewing are caring for the wounded.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 30.—A rockslide occurred at the mouth of the new tunnel yesterday, instantly killing William Anger, of Bertie, Ont., and breaking the leg and fracturing the skull of Peter Scanlon of this place. Both were workmen.

## A DARING ROBBERY.

Three Men Clean Out a Chicago Bank.

## THE CASHIER ASSAULTED.

Beaten Into Insensibility and Then Hurled Into the Vault—The Robbers Pursued by the Police and One Shot and the Others Captured.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A most daring bank robbery occurred at South Chicago, twelve miles east of this city, at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Three men drove up to the Merchants' Exchange bank in an open buggy drawn by a powerful and speedy white horse. They entered and stepped to the cashier's window, where two of the ruffians engaged the bank official in conversation, while the third went through an open door and, laying violent hands on the teller, beat him into insensibility.

One of the men on the outside of the counter then went behind the counter and helped himself to the available cash while the other stood guard at the door and the third man stood over the prostrate bank official. The thieves were surprised in the midst of their operations by the approach of C. P. Wilder, the cashier. Hurriedly throwing the limp form of Linn into the bank vault and locking it, the three robbers jumped into the buggy and drove off at break-neck speed.

Cashier Wilder upon seeing the bank deserted opened the vault door and there found Linn, who had sufficiently revived to tell the story of the robbery. The police were immediately notified and every police station sent out all its reserve force. Six patrol wagons were dispatched to head off the robbers. Lieut. Jenkins, who had just arrived in South Chicago from the city, joined in the pursuit. At Fifty-second street the robbers abandoned their buggy, the horse being completely exhausted, and jumped into a delivery wagon which a confederate had in readiness.

At Forty-ninth street Lieut. Jenkins was almost within firing distance of the desperadoes. Here they abandoned the covered wagon and ran in all directions.

At Forty-sixth street a posse of citizens who were aiding in the pursuit was fired into by one of the desperadoes and Patrick O'Brien was shot in the hip and dangerously wounded. At Forty-third street Lieut. Jenkins came up on one of the band and ordered him to throw up his hands. For an answer the robber drew a revolver and fired at the lieutenant and his associates.

Lieut. Jenkins returned the fire and the desperado fell to the ground with a bullet in his thigh. The other three sought shelter in the neighboring houses and yards. Two of them were soon captured but the fourth man escaped. He is completely surrounded, and the police are confident that they will capture him also when he leaves his place of concealment. The wounded robber gives his name as John Corbett. He is not known to the police. The other two that were captured are Morris Hennessy, well known in police circles, and Charles Mullen, a stock yard butcher.

The bank officials say that the robbers secured but \$2,800, leaving \$4,000 in the cashier's drawer and a \$10,000 package in the vault undisturbed. The stolen money was recovered.

LATER—Frank Bennett, the fourth man who took part in the Merchants' Exchange bank robbery, and who escaped from the police, has just been captured. Bennett is the man who shot Patrick O'Brien when the latter attempted to stop the thieves in their flight.

## WINDOW GLASS TRUST.

All the Factories in the West Now Under One Management.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A Herald special from Findlay, O., says: The arrangements have all been completed for the admission of the eastern window glass factories to the American Window Glass company, the trust combination which now controls all the factories of this character west of and including those of Pittsburg. The combination will be made at the meeting of the trust, which will be held in Chicago to-morrow.

This will make a window glass combination which will embrace all the factories of the United States and give it the power to control prices in an absolute way. It is already understood that the first movement of the trust will be an advance in prices and a reduction in the wage schedule.

All Gone but One Penny.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The diamond and jewelry store of Albert Jahn, at 38 Eighth avenue, is in charge of the sheriff's office. Jahn has been missing since Christmas, and when his big safe was opened yesterday instead of \$20,000 worth of stock being found therein, the safe contained only one copper penny and a lot of pool tickets on the Guttenberg race. Silver-plated ware was found in the store to swell the total value of stock, safe and fixtures to \$1,000 or \$1,500. Wholesale jewelers are creditors in sums ranging from \$32 to \$6,820, the whole aggregating \$16,000. Jahn's deserted wife says his only bad habit was playing the races. Detectives are looking for the missing jeweler.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—A Sentinel special from Shoals, Ind., says: While workmen were engaged in rebuilding the Ohio and Mississippi bridge over White river here Sunday, a girder was let fall which knocked a stationary derrick down on the workmen, crushing Theodore Wiseman, aged 45, of North Vernon, to death, and seriously hurting three other workmen—Lewis Long, F. W. Jackson and Isaac Little. No blame attached to the railroad company.

## NOT INEXHAUSTIBLE.

Views of Ohio's State Geologist Concerning Natural Gas.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 30.—Professor Orton, in the annual report to the Ohio geological survey, just filed with the governor, devotes much space to the subject of natural gas. He gives warning that the supply is not inexhaustible, and he urges economy in its use. He approves of limiting its consumption to domestic, private purposes. Following are some extracts from the report of general interest:

"Natural gas finds its highest and most valuable use as domestic fuel. It is here that it does the greatest good to the greatest number. If there is any use for which gas should be sold below the price of the fuel which it supplants, it is its use in cooking stoves. The less fortunate members of the community should be the favored ones in this regard. For the gas used in heating there is no justifiable demand for a discount on gas bills, increasing according to the number of fires supplied. If a sliding scale is introduced, it might, perhaps, better be made to slide the other way, charging consumption beyond the average at a higher rate.

"All gas should be sold by measured volume. Meters and gauges ought to be introduced everywhere. No adequate motive to economy can be brought to bear on many consumers until they are obliged to pay at a proper rate for what they use.

"Next to domestic use, the use of gas in the production of steam power is to be counted the most suitable application of it. Comparatively small amounts of it are required for this purpose, and great convenience and economy result from its use. Of the various manufacturing uses in which the gas is applied as fuel proper, glass making has probably the best right's. It contributes larger returns to the community in the shape of wages than other like industries.

"From certain uses to which gas is now largely applied it should at once be entirely withdrawn. It is a great wrong to the community to allow it to be used in burning common building brick and calcining limestone. These processes consume large quantities of gas and make no returns except to their owners. For these wood and coal are good enough. . . . It is a grievous mistake on the part of any community to allow a rolling mill access to its gas field. An ordinary mill uses as much gas every day as several thousand families would consume, and the returns to the common good by such an application are small compared with any other ways of using natural gas.

"The state interferes when an oil well is left without being plugged, or when a gas well is allowed to blow into the air without use. Why? Because these precious stocks of mobile power are fitted to do good to great numbers of the people, and no man has a right to take any action by which they shall be needlessly wasted. A like reason could, perhaps, be found for forbidding entirely the use of gas for the rough work that has been named above.

"If economy is everywhere insisted on and practiced, the last days of natural gas in Ohio may be its best days. If, on the other hand, the wasteful policy that is now so largely in force should be maintained, there is sure to be, at no very distant day, great disappointment and reaction in the communities that obtained it and have been stimulated by its acquisition to what may prove an unhealthy activity.

"Natural gas is merely a transient phase of the stored power of the earth. It is folly to talk of its taking anything like a permanent place in the work of the world. The claim that it can do so springs only from enthusiasm or sciolism. There is, in reality, but little of it, and this little is found in but very limited regions, and can not last long whenever its utilization is made taken by the eager and masterful activities of our day."

## MURDER IN A MINING TOWN.

Brutal Tragedy Which Resulted in the Death of Three Persons.

WILKESBARE, Pa., Dec. 30.—Broderrick's Patch, a little mining hamlet, about six miles from this city, was thrown into excitement yesterday over a most brutal tragedy, which resulted in the death of three persons. Early yesterday morning John Trello, a Hungarian, from Edgerton, who had been in the hamlet but a few days, entered the saloon of Michael Curley, and in the presence of the latter's 5-year-old daughter, Mammie, shot and killed Mrs. Curley, and then shot Curley, who had just come down stairs.

Trello also shot and killed a Hungarian named Michael Hodak, and then laying the revolver on the prostrate form of Curley made his escape. Officers are hotly pursuing him and have tracked him as far as the stone bridge at Wyoming, three miles away. The only person in the room, excepting those directly concerned in the tragedy, was the little girl Mammie, and she is too young to make any intelligible statement. The theory that Trello did the shooting is the most reasonable, and is borne out by the child, who insists that Trello shot her mother, and not her father as was at first supposed.

## Montana Counterfeiters Jugged.

LIVINGSTON, Mont., Dec. 30.—Lately a gang of counterfeiters has been flooding Montana with silver dollars, but the United States officers have been puzzled as to the location of the counterfeiters' den. Saturday United States Marshal Devoe found a deserted cabin near Gray Cliff, on the Crow reservation, in which were all the apparatus for the manufacture of the spurious coin. A man named Frank Ellis was found in the locality, and was arrested. He refused to say anything.

Floesie—I've got three grandmammas. Kattie (a landlady's little one)—That's nothin'. I heard papa say he had ten aunts. —Pittsburg Bulletin.